**Drinking Water Scheme Submitted By Rajasthan**

4848. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Rajasthan has sent any scheme to provide drinking water facilities in five dacoit-infested districts of the State; and

(b) if so, the progress made in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme estimated to cost Rs. 34.94 crores has been awarded by the Ministry of Finance to European Economic Community bilateral assistance.

**Funds to Rajasthan under DPAP and DDP**

4849. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide funds to Rajasthan under Drought Prone Area Programme and Desert Development Programme as recommended by working group for regional development during the year 1991-92; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b). the Government is not aware of any working group for regional development and its recommendations on allocation of funds to DPAP and DDP. However, there is a report of the Working Group on Area Development Programmes constituted by the Planning Commission for the 8th Five Year Plan. In its report also, there is no specific recommendation on the scale and pattern of allocation of funds for DPAP and DDP areas including Rajasthan.

**World Bank Assistance for Water Supply Schemes**

4850. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI:
SHRI RAMCHANDRA VEERAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of States which have sought assistance from World Bank for the water supply projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) The State Governments of Maharashtra, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh have sought assistance from World Bank for Rural Water Supply Sector.

(b) and (c). The Integrated Maharashtra Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project has been approved by the World Bank on 5th June, 1991 involving estimated expenditure of US$ 140.7 million of which assistance from IDA will be US$ 109.9 million. The Rural Water Supply for fluoride affected villages in Rajasthan at an estimated cost of Rs. 688.20 crores is under technical scrutiny. The World Bank Mission is in India for visit to Uttar Pradesh for 23rd August to 4th September, 1991 and to Karnataka from 5th September to 14th September, 1991 for discussions relating to prepa-